

ANNUAL EXAMINATION 2024-25

PRACTICE QUESTION PAPER 1 ANSWER KEY

ENGLISH

Time: 2:30 Hours | Standard: IX | Score: 80

SECTION A (Questions 1-5)

1. Anil stopped because he saw an old man struggling with a heavy bag of books.
 2. Anil helped the old man by carrying the bag for him.
 3. The passage teaches us that small acts of kindness can make a big difference.
 4. **Frailty** (meaning: weak and delicate)
 5. Example sentence: *She expressed her gratitude to the teacher for her guidance.*
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SECTION B (Questions 6-10)

6. The poem conveys a message of perseverance and hope.
 7. The poet describes the journey as **winding and steep** but encourages persistence.
 8. **"Hope as my guiding star"** is a metaphor for motivation and determination.
 9. The poet expresses determination and resilience.
 10. The poem is relevant to facing life's challenges with courage.
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SECTION C (Questions 11-15)

11. Dr. Kalam was associated with **missile development and aerospace engineering**.
 12. He emphasized the power of **dreams and hard work**.
 13. The passage highlights his **humility and dedication to inspiring students**.
 14. He is an inspiration because he motivated students to dream big and work hard.
 15. **Synonym for beloved:** *admired, cherished*.
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SECTION D (Questions 16-20) (Any ONE – 7 marks)

16.(Speech on positive words – Key points)

- Words influence emotions and actions.
- Positive words build confidence and relationships.
- Example: Encouraging words from a teacher or parent.
- Conclusion: Choose words wisely to spread positivity.

17.(Diary entry – Key points)

- Met a famous author at a book fair.
 - Conversation about writing and literature.
 - Learned about their inspirations and struggles.
 - Personal reflection on how meeting influenced thinking.
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SECTION E (Questions 21-24) (Any TWO – 5 marks each)

18.**Conversation between a young girl and grandmother**

- Importance of preserving cultural heritage.
- Traditional customs and how they are changing.
- Ways to keep traditions alive (festivals, storytelling, language).

19.**Notice for a Debate Competition**

- Date, time, and venue.
- Topic: *Technology: A Boon or a Bane.*
- Rules and participation guidelines.

20.**Five questions based on the passage about the musician**

- Who was the boy?
 - How did he make instruments?
 - What made his melodies special?
 - Who discovered his talent?
 - What happened to him later?
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SECTION F (Questions 25-28) (Any THREE – 6 marks each)

21.**News Report on Art Exhibition**

- Headline and introduction.

- Details about event, venue, participants.
- Highlights of the exhibition.

22. **Formal Letter Inviting a Storyteller**

- Proper format (date, address, salutation).
- Purpose of invitation.
- Closing and contact details.

23. **Character Sketch of Malala Yousafzai**

- Courage and advocacy for education.
- Overcoming obstacles.
- Impact on the world.

24. **Short Profile of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar**

- Key contributions: Architect of Indian Constitution, social justice.
- His legacy and influence.

SECTION G (Questions 29-32) (1×5=5 marks)

29. **The advertisement is about a job vacancy for a science teacher.**

30. **Required experience: 5+ years.**

31. **The interview is scheduled at Wisdom Academy.**

32. **Contact school administration for more details.**

SECTION H (Questions 33-35) (1×3=3 marks)

33. Prepositions:

- She was born **in** a small village and later moved **to** the city to study **at** a prestigious university.

34. Noun phrase & verb phrase:

- *Noun phrase:* "The inspiring words of the teacher"
- *Verb phrase:* "changed my perspective on life"

35. Phrasal verbs:

- As I was **going through** my old diary, I **came across** a letter from my childhood friend. I decided to **reach out** to her after all these years.